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1. THE PORTUGUESE AMBASSADOR TELLS US THAT HE HAS NOW COMPLETED HIS ROUNDS IN THE FOREIGN OFFICE CONCERNING GERMAN REACTION TO OUR LATEST PROPOSAL ON AID TO PORTUGAL.

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2. THE AMBASSADOR CAME AWAY WITH THE IMPRESSION THAT THE FOREIGN OFFICE WAS EXPLORING MODALITIES FOR POSSIBLE FURTHER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO PORTUGAL. HE ALSO HAD THE IMPRESSION THAT THE FRG WAS MOVING IN THE DIRECTION OF ATTENDANCE AT THE PROPOSED MID-MAY MEETING IN PARIS, AND AMBASSADOR HAS STRESSED THE

IMPORTANCE OF SUCH ATTENDANCE WITH HIS INTERLOCUTORS.

3. WHILE THE AMBASSADOR STILL CONSIDERS THE ATTITUDE OF THE FOREIGN OFFICE RESERVED, HE THOUGHT THAT THE GERMANS WERE COMING AROUND TO A SOMEWHAT MORE FORTH-COMING ATTITUDE. HE UNDERSTOOD THAT FONOFF STATE SECRETARY HERMES HAD WRITTEN FINANCE MINISTRY STATE SECRETARY POEHL CONCERNING AID TO PORTUGAL IN A NOT UNFAVORABLE TONE. THE AMBASSADOR ALSO UNDERSTOOD THAT STATE SECRETARY POEHL'S OWN ATTITUDE WAS MORE AMENABLE THAN IN THE PAST.

4. IN SPITE OF THIS RESERVEDLY OPTIMISTIC ASSESSMENT BY THE PORTUGUESE AMBASSADOR, HE WAS TOLD BY EVERYONE THAT THE REAL CRUNCH ON THE ISSUE WOULD COME AT THE SUMMIT IN LONDON. WIDESPREAD OPINION WAS EXPRESSED THAT IF ALL WENT WELL AT THE LONDON SUMMIT, THE CHANCELLOR MIGHT MAKE DECISIONS FAVORABLE TO US PROPOSALS. ON THE OTHER HAND, THE FOREIGN OFFICE STRESSED IF THINGS DID NOT GO TOO WELL IN LONDON, PROGRESS ON A MULTILATERAL APPROACH TO AID TO PORTUGAL MIGHT BE IMPEDED.
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